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The little town of Brookhaven Miss., has twelve business houses run by Negros.

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Georgia has a Mutual Aid Society which owns a large tract of land where an Afro-American community will be established and a factory erected.

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Albuquerque, N. M. has an Afro-American, T. O. Mason who is a rampant Mohammedan.

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Frank Gladsen is the proprietor of one of the best stocked dry goods stores in Ocala, Fla.

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Miss Carrie Belle Lee, is the efficent teacher of phnograph and typewriting in Morris Brown College.

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"The Waiters Advocate" is a new sheet published at Washington, D. C. The Negro must organize, think, writeand be a man in order to hold his place.—Ex-

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The Young Mens League of San Antonio, Texas, will own and control a park exclusively for their own people who are mistreated by the superior(?) race.

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Cornelius Harris of Newport News, Va. is dead. He was the only Negro on the jury that indicted the arch-rebel, Jefferson Davis.

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Grant Clemmens, former Sergent, Co. C, Ninth O. V. I. has organized a company of Negro volunteers for service in China. His cause has been presented to the president.

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A movement is on foot by the plantation owners of the Hiawaiian islands to secure several hundred Negroes from the Southern States to go to Hiawaiia to work on the plantations.

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Mrs. Thresia M. Roles, a colored woman, has received a permit from the board of health to conduct business as an undertaker in Campridge, Mass. Her husbrad is in the same business at Baltimore.

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Several wealthy white gentleman of Chicago, have agreed to furnish the $35,000 necessary to manufacture a working model of the new automatic gun, recently invented by Eugene Burkins, a colored boy.

The gun will be constructed at Baltimore.

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Mrs. Ruffin, who was denied admission to the National Federation of Women's Club's at the Milwaukee biennial, has entered suit against the officers of the federation for refusing to reconize her club whose dues, Mrs. Ruffin alloges, the association had accepted.

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Miss Willie Ethel Mollison, a colored high school girl of Vicksburg, Miss., was an attractive feature at the Philadelphia convention. She sat the with Mississippi delagation, and was alternate for H. C. Turley of Natchez. Mr. Turley was proud of his alternate, and said he was even tempted to suppress himself so as to give this ambitious girl a chance to vote in the delegation.

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In thirty-seven of these United States a married mother has no legal right to her children. In sixteen states a wife has no legal right to her own earnings outside of the home. In eight states a woman has no right to her own property after marriage. In seven states there is no law compelling a man to support his own family.

There is a colored man working as bootblack in Pittsburg, who is a graduate from the higest college in the land, the Propaganda at Rome; who reades and writes thirteen languages, speaking nine fluently; who stood third in a class of 500, and who ranked as a fine and and logical debater. This man goes by the name of W. J. Reed. Reed has been well over the world and the story of his life properly told no doubt would make an interesting book.

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HOTEL CLERK'S

Plan of Lodging a Snorer So as to Protect Other Guests.

Among a group of newly arrived travelers who clustered about the desk of one of the large city hotels the other evening was a big, jovial looking man with a Roman nose and a collection of double chins leading down to his collar like a flight of stairs. He nodded to the head porter as he came in, and before he registered he shook hands cordially with the clerk. It was evident that he had been there before. "Well, my boy," he said, after he had inscribed and blotted his autograph, "what can you do for me tonight?" The clerk consulted the room chart. "I can give you 'steen 'eleven,'" he replied. "It's a very nice room at the end of the corridor; plenty of light and air and lots of privacy. Front! show the gentlemen to 'steen eleven!" "But hold on," protested the large man. "I don't want that room; it's too far off. Why can't you give me my old room on the third floor?" "I'm very sorry, Colonel," replied the clerk, "but that one on the corridor is the last one on the chart. Honestly, I'm lucky to have anything for you, with all this Mardi Gras rush." "Well, if it's Hobson's choice, I guess I'll have to take it," said the big guest, and moved away toward the elevator. Later on the clerk made a confession in strict confidence to a curious bystander. "Yes, I admit I have a few other rooms," he said, "but they are all in the middle of halls, and this gentleman is the champion snorer of West Virginia. Last time he was here I couldn't keep anybody on either side of him, and the result was that we had two rooms tied up from which we were deriving no revenue. We can't afford such a waste of space so near Mardi Gras, so I put him in one of our special snorer's apartments, of which we have four, all isolated at the ends of corridors. The wall spaces are filled with non-conducting packing, the transom is nailed shut, and he can snore there until the cows come home without disturbing anybody. Oh! yes, we keep a record of snorers, also of folk who talk in their sleep and holler murder in nightmares. Have to do it to protect our other patrons."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

HISTORICAL PALACE FOR SALE.

Many of England's Kings and Queens Resided There.

The crown lease of Eltham court and palace, which forms one of the most interesting links with the past which have ever passed into the estate market, is advertised for sale, says the London Chronicle. Its history dates from the time of Edward the Confessor (1042-66). At that time the manor belonged to the crown. It was granted by William the Conqueror to his brother Odo, earl of Kent, but reverted to the crown. While the date of the erection of the palace is uncertain, it is known that it was a royal residence from 1270 to 1628. "John o' Eltham," Edward II., Edward III., Richard II., Henry IV., Henry V., Edward IV., Richard III., Henry VII., Henry VIII., Mary, Elizabeth and James I., all resided at the palace. It was there, also, that Edward III. held his parliament, Richard III. entertained the captive king of France, Henry IV. was espoused to Joan of Navarre and Edward IV.'s daughter Bridget was born. After passing through other royal hands, the palace came into the possession of Sir John Shaw. It is from one of the three parks known as the middle park that the "Midle Park Plate" takes its name. The present house retains the old moat and part of the original palace is still standing.

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THE CONVENTION.

Strong Ticket Is Nominated, Meeting the Approval of All.

Intense Interest Shown in Party Welfare and the Campaign Work.

Something About the Able and Popular Men Who Were Nominated for State Offices.

Chairman Weaver Points Out the Duty of Republicans, and Tells How They May Make Sure of Victory.

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 6.—The republican state convention held here last week resulted in the nomination of an exceptionally strong ticket. The spirit of the convention throughout was harmonious in spite of the spirited contests that were waged for the various nominations. There was more interest in this convention than in any other in the history of the party in Iowa. Never was such a great crowd gathered together before to attend a state convention. Republicans came for two reasons, to assist their friends who were candidates for state offices and because of the interest in politics generally in this presidential year. Delegates from all parts of the state visited the state headquarters and expressed their interest in the work of the committee, promising to do their part toward securing a perfect organization in their township. After the nominations were made the friends of all the candidates forgot the rivalry which had existed for several months and united in pledging to the ticket their hearty and unreserved support. There are no sore spots and the ticket is one which speaks for itself, requiring no explanation or defense.

William Birney Martin, of Greenfield, Adair county, nominee for secretary of state, was born in Rochester, Windsor county, Vt., March 17, 1846. His ancestors were Scotch and were early pioneers in central Vermont. Mr. Martin came west in 1867, lived two years in Illinois, came to Adair county in 1869 and was a farmer and teacher there four years. In 1873 he was elected county auditor and served four years. Since then he has been in the real estate business. He has been mayor of Greenfield and was a member of the Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh general assemblies, where he attracted the notice of the state as an advocate of examination of private banks. He is a man of high character and good business ability.

Gilbert S. Gilbertson, of Forest City, nominee for state treasurer, was born in Spring Grove, Houston county, Minn., October 17, 1863. He has a good common school education and took a course in a business college in Janesville, Wis. In the spring of 1879 he came to Worth county, Ia., and there engaged in farming and later in the mercantile business. In 1889 was elected clerk of courts in Winnebago county and held this office until 1896, when he resigned to enter the state senate, where he served four years. He is a prominent banker in Forest City and is interested in numerous business enterprises. He is the owner of the Winnebago Summit. He is universally popular in the state and his nomination was due to his attractive personal traits more than to anything else.

Frank F. Merriam, renominated for auditor of state, is a native of Iowa, born in Delaware county December 22, 1865. The family came to Hopkinton, Delaware county, in 1856. Young Merriam was educated in common schools and in Lennox college, from which institution he graduated in 1888. He earned his own way through college and after his graduation continued to teach school until 1893, when he went into the newspaper business in Hopkinton. In 1895 he was elected member of the house from Delaware county and reelected two years later. During his second session he was chairman of the committee on appropriations and was a member of the examining committee whose work resulted in the state board of control. He has always been very active in politics, having been several times associated with the management of the state campaign. In 1898 he was nominated for auditor of state and elected by a large majority.

David J. Palmer, renominated for railway commissioner, was born in Washington county, Pa., November 15, 1839. He came with his parents to Iowa in 1856, settling in Washington county, which is still his home. They began on a small piece of raw prairie and had all the experiences of pioneers. Col. Palmer served with distinction in the civil war, rising from a private in the Eighth Iowa infantry to lieutenant colonel of the Twenty-fifth Iowa. He was wounded several times and was in many battles. He has been prominent in Iowa politics many years and was a member of the state senate from Henry and Washington counties, elected in 1891 and serving two terms. He resigned in April, 1898, to accept the appointment of railway commissioner tendered him by Gov. Shaw to fill the vacancy caused by the death of C. L. Davidson. He was nominated that year and elected by a handsome majority.

Senator Charles W. Mullan, of Waterloo, nominated for attorney general, has been an industrious republican worker in Iowa for many years. He was born in Wayne county, Ill., and came with his parents to Iowa more than 50 years ago, when he was but a little child. He has been in the practice of law in Waterloo since 1870 and is known as one of the ablest lawyers in the state. His ability was demonstrated during his service in the state senate to which he was elected in 1897. He has been city solicitor of Waterloo six years and county attorney of Blackhawk county six years, and is a man of scholarly attainments who will ornament the office he will hold. He also served in the union army during the civil war.

Chancellor Emlin McClain, of the law department of the state university, nominated for judge of the supreme court, is widely known in Iowa and throughout the county as an eminent author of law books and annotator of the code of Iowa. He was born in Salem, O., and is of Quaker descent. He came to Tipton, Cedar county, Ia., in 1855 and for a time was a teacher and to some extent a farmer. His father founded the Iowa City academy. In 1866 Emlin at the age of 15 entered the state university and graduated in the philosophical course in 1871 and a year later took the classical degree and in 1873 graduated from the law department. He was connected with the firm of Gatch, Wright & Runnells in Des Moines, and practiced law in Des Moines until 1881, during which time he prepared McClain's Annotated Statutes of Iowa, which became the standard code. In 1881 he was appointed professor in the law department of the state university, and in 1887 vice chancellor, and in 1890 he became chancellor. Since 1881 he has devoted himself entirely to teaching law and writing law books. His principal works are "Outlines of Criminal Law and Procedure," 1884; "Synopsis of Elementary Law and Law of Personal Property," 1884; "Digest of Iowa Reports," in two volumes, 1887, with third volume in 1898; "Criminal Law," in two volumes, 1897; "Cases of the Law of Carriers," 1893, etc. He was selected to annotate the new code of 1897 and was one of the commissioners who revised the code preparatory for that work. He was a candidate for supreme judge in 1891 and came near being nominated.

EVERY MAN ON DUTY.

Chairman Weaver Says Success Depends Upon What Republicans Do Themselves.

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 6.—"The real fight begins this morning," said Chairman H. O. Weaver, of the republican state central committee, as he was preparing this morning to extend his efforts in all directions to promote the success of the ticket nominated. "The ticket nominated is the best that we could have had. It is strong in every respect, and while the contests were spirited and close, those who failed to secure their first choice are well satisfied, because they have all had their second choice. This was a remarkably fortunate feature for such a series of contests and it starts us into the campaign with universal good feeling. I have had assurances from the supporters of the defeated candidates that they need only to be told what is wanted of them during the campaign and they will do their part and even more. The fact is, we never have any sulking among Iowa republicans. The will of the party, once fairly expressed as it was this time, is final and is gracefully accepted by all. We are blessed in this state by a loyal, determined party membership and a wise leadership in all sections, representing all interests, which will now proceed in a united and well-organized attack upon the common enemy.

"We have plenty of work to do in Iowa. I have realized this from the beginning of the year and have made preparations accordingly. The organization is well under way, but it is not complete. This is the first and most necessary thing to secure. We are trying, here at the state headquarters, to get into close personal communication with at least one man, selected by the republicans of every voting precinct in the state for his recognized ability, adaptability and willingness to work for the republican party whenever he is asked to do anything from now until the votes have been counted on the 6th of November. With this army of workers we shall be able to accomplish our purpose, to make the majority for the national and state tickets this year the greatest in all Iowa's splendid record, and to make sure the election of all the congressional candidates by safe majorities.

"Of course no one has any doubt that Iowa will go republican, and this is the chief obstacle we have to contend against. Too many people seem to think there is nothing for us to do this year. It is our business to show them that this is a serious mistake, and we will do it through this great army of local workers. They are the men who win the victories, the strong arm upon which we lean. So we want to hear from them as soon as possible, every one of them, and know that they are all ready for business.

"It is well understood that the democrats intend to make their fight in several of the Iowa congressional districts. They are trying, as they have in previous campaigns, to mislead us as to their point of attack, but we shall know just what they intend to do and shall be well prepared to meet them. I have not the slightest doubt of the election of all our congressmen from Iowa, but my confidence is based upon the activity which I expect will be shown by the republican organization and the republican voters. We never won a victory by sitting down and waiting for it to come to us, relying upon our natural strength to bring it about without well directed effort, and we can't do it this time.

"We never went into a campaign in better shape for united effort, or with more assurance of success, provided we do our duty. But every man must now take his place and do his best until after election, or those who care anything about the promotion of republican principles will have time to indulge in many vain regrets. The best way to make sure of feeling good after election is to leave nothing undone before election that might contribute to the desired result. The man who thinks after election what he might have done, and didn't, to promote the success of his party, has about as disagreeable job of meditation as one can imagine. We are trying to save every Iowa republican from such a fate by finding something for him to do. There will be plenty of chance, as the campaign progresses, for every republican in Iowa to do a share of the party's work, and I want to give notice that the state committee, the county chairmen and the local committeemen will be calling upon them to discharge this duty. They must always be ready when called if they would be satisfied in November.

"This is going to be a lively campaign, simply because we are going to make it so, by giving the people first-class speakers, attractive and convincing educational matter in every form, and the people are beginning to do their part already by organizing republican clubs and marching companies. These clubs will keep things stirred up all through the campaign, and I wish there was at least one in every voting precinct. In fact, it looks as if it might soon come to that. The people are taking a lively interest in the clubs and marching companies everywhere. We are glad to assist them from the state headquarters in every way we can."

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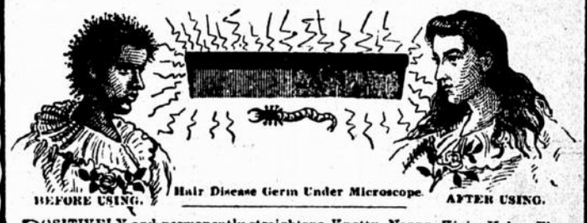

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